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Cromwell Advertisements

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

FAMILY GROCERS,

WINE, SPIRIT, AND GENERAL MERCHANTS.

We desire to intimate that in order to meet the growing exigencies of our business, we have lately built substantial stone additions to our former premises.

At the urgent request of our numerous customers, we have added to our other branches of business, that of

DRAPERY, CROCKERY, & IRONMONGERY.

We would further notify that, having engaged a Buyer in connection with our business to select special lines consigned from the Home and Melbourne markets, we will in future be in a position to offer such superior advantages to our customers as will not fail to ensure a continuance of their liberal patronage, and, more especially, will command the attention and confidence of the Trade, Runholders, and Large Buyers.

DAVID A. JOLLY & CO.

Our GROCERY STOCK comprises:

Teas, of excellent flavour, in chests, half-chests, and boxes  
Coffee, from the pure bean, ground on the premises  
Cocoa, Chocolate, of the best brands  
Sugars: crystals of every shade, and crushed loaf  
Rice, Cheese, Butter: weekly supplies from the best dairies  
Jam, Jellies, and Pickles

Candles: best brands  
Soap: tallow crown, blue mottled, household, scented in bars, cakes, and boxes  
Vestals, by approved makers  
Salt: table, fine, and coarse  
Raisins: Muscades, Sultanias, and Elmes  
Oils: salad, castor, and kerosene  
Sauces: Lea and Perrins, Mushroom, Nabob, and assorted

TOBACCOES.

Imperial, Aromatic, and Twist—superior  
Cameron's celebrated brand—Havlock, Golden Bar, Venus brand  
Barrett's Twist, in quarter-galvanised and boxes.

Water Lily, Over the Water, navy sizes  
Cut Tobaccos, in pound, half-pound, and quarter-pound tins, and in bulk.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

Brandies: Hennessy's, Associated Vineyard, Martell's, in bulk and case  
Whiskies: Old Glenury, Islay, Longjohn's, in bulk and case  
Rum: Lemon Hart's  
Port: Fine old Offley's, six grape  
Sherry: Gonzola, six diamond  
Gin: J. K. Z. Geneva, Nectar, and Kumell  
Old Tom: Burnett's, Bernard's  
Claret: St. Julien's

Moselle: No. 2  
Hock: Gold Leaf  
Ginger Wine, in bulk and case  
Ales: Tennent's, Younger's, and Colonial.  
Porter: Blood's, Byass's, Guinness's, and Colonial  
Cordials: assorted  
Sarsaparilla: Singleton's, Townsend's  
Bitters: Selner's, Stoughton's

IRONMONGERY STOCK consists of

Blasting powder and fuse  
Gunpowder, caps, and shot  
Long and short handled shovels  
Spades, sluice forks  
Picks and pickhandles  
Gold dishes, hose-pipes  
Drills and drilling hammers  
Manilla and flax ropes  
White lead, castor, boiled, and colza oils  
Galvanised and corrugated iron  
Stoves and piping

Billies and pannikins  
Tea-kettles, iron and tin  
Galvanised iron buckets and tubs  
Iron boilers  
Enamelled and tinned stew and saucepans  
Axes and axe-handles  
Nails, cut and wrought  
Tacks, clout and American cut  
Garden rakes, hoes, and spades  
Cutlery, a large assortment  
Carpenters' tools of every description.

CANVAS, SADDLERY, AND BRUSHWARE.

HOLT'S SEWING MACHINES: CABINET AND HAND.

DRAPERY & CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.

Suits: silk-mixture, Galatea, Paget, sac  
Boys' do.  
Trousers and Vests: Mosgiel, silk-mixed, tweed, doeskin  
Shirts: white dress, crimeans, scotch twill, tweed  
Pants and undershirts, in flannel, lamb's-wool, merino, and cotton  
Hosiery and hats

Dress materials: winceys, French merinos, all-wool plaids, prints  
Flannels: Calicos, bleached and unbleached  
Blankets, rugs, quilts  
Table-covers, bed and toilet-covers.  
Cocoas and felt matting  
Hessian, bed-ticking, carpets  
Top, waterproof, and tweed coats; etc., etc.

BOOTS & SHOES.

Boots: men's elastic-sides, watertights, half-Wellingtons; Hayward and North British Gum Boots  
Women's and children's Boots, Shoes, and Slippers, in calf, kid, and cashmere.  
N.B.—All goods in this department are marked at low prices.

CROCKERYWARE.

Breakfast, dinner, and bedroom sets complete  
Lamps: parlour, hanging, bracket

China, glass, and earthenware goods of every description

FILTERS, VASES, AND LUSTRES.

FANCY GOODS.

Electro-plated Britannia-metal tea and coffee pots; meerscham and briar pipes—a choice selection; patent medicines; stationery; perfumery.

COLONIAL PRODUCE: Wheat, Oats, Chaff, Pollard, and Potatoes.

D. A. J. & Co. have been appointed sole agents for the sale of Butel Bros.' superior silk-dressed flour, bran, and pollard; and are prepared to promptly execute all orders within a radius of sixty miles.—FLOUR GUARANTEED. TERMS LIBERAL.

SWAN BREWERY, CROMWELL.

G. W. GOODGER . . . Proprietor.

The Proprietor is now prepared to supply his unrivalled XXXX ALES in any quantity, delivered throughout the District.

Orders left at the Commercial Hotel, Cromwell, or at the Brewery, will be promptly attended to.

G. W. GOODGER.

VICTORIA HOTEL, CROMWELL.

JAMES STUART,

(Late of the Ferry Hotel, Banuockburn.)

Begs to intimate to his friends and the public that he has purchased the above Hotel, where he hopes, by strict attention to business, and by keeping the best Wines and Spirits, to merit a share of public patronage.

A first-class table kept, and superior stone stabling in course of erection.

N.B.—The nearest Hotel to the Courthouse

Cromwell Advertisements

IMPORTANT NOTICE

I. HALLENSTEIN and Co.,

CROMWELL, QUEENSTOWN, LAWRENCE, DUNEDIN, & MELBOURNE,

DIRECT IMPORTERS.

Having just removed into our NEW PREMISES, in respectfully thanking the Public for their past support, and soliciting a continuance of their patronage, we beg to assure them that our object in future will be, in order to meet the increasing demand, to keep much larger and better-assorted stock of

DRAPERY, CLOTHING, BOOTS, & GENERAL GOODS

than hitherto,—the best, in fact, ever seen out of Dunedin,—which we will sell at prices that will defy competition. Our motto will strictly be

"SMALL PROFITS AND QUICK RETURNS."

We beg specially to draw attention to our splendid stock of

DRESS GOODS,

Comprising Silks, Poplins, Repp, Twills, Mohair, Merinos, Llamas, Batistes, Prints, Winceys, Gingham, Alpacas, Lustres, &c. (We can offer some really good Bargains in the above line.)

Also, Ladies' Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, latest style, just received from Melbourne.

Our Stock of

UNDERLINEN, CALICOES, BLANKETS, &c. &c.,

Will be found to comprise every quality, and are on sale at extremely low figures.

OUR CLOTHING DEPARTMENT

Is stocked entirely from our DUNEDIN CLOTHING FACTORY.

THE BOOT & SHOE DEPARTMENT

Includes every description of Men's, Women's, and Children's Boots, of all qualities and prices.

A large supply of WHEAT, OATS, BRAN, & POLLARD always on hand.

Being the only authorised agents for

ROBERTSON & HALLENSTEIN'S BRUNSWICK FLOUR MILLS, LAKE WAKATIPU,

We are prepared to supply their best Silk-dressed Flour, guaranteed equal to Adelaide's.

GROCERIES, WINES, SPIRITS, & PROVISIONS.

IRONMONGERY & CROCKERY.

TIMBER AND BUILDING MATERIALS OF ALL DESCRIPTIONS.

PAPERHANGINGS, OILS, & PAINTS.

GRINDERY AND SADDLERY.

PATENT MEDICINES OF ALL KINDS.

FURNITURE AND BEDDING.

We beg to invite the Public to come and inspect the premises and Stock, and judge for themselves.

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.

WHOLESALE, RETAIL, AND GENERAL MERCHANTS,

MELMORE TERRACE CROMWELL.

**Cromwell**  
**BELFAST STORE,**  
 CLYDE AND CROMWELL.  
 WINES, SPIRITS, GROCERIES, HARD  
 WARE, COLONIAL PRODUCE,  
 &c. &c. &c.

### JAMES HAZLETT

Begs to inform the Public of the Dunstan District that, in connection with his established business of ten years at Clyde, he has opened **EXTENSIVE PREMISES AT CROMWELL**, where he will be able to supply the Trade, Run-holders, Farmers, and Private Families, with **EVERY CLASS OF GOODS**, of the very best description, at the lowest current rates.

JAMES HAZLETT would particularly mention that in the **FLOUR & COLONIAL PRODUCE BUSINESS** he can defy competition, as in that line he is in connection with Messrs WHITTINGHAM BROTHERS, of Queenstown, who are the largest buyers in the Lake District.

J. HAZLETT, being a **CASH BUYER** in the Dunedin and Melbourne Markets, feels confident he can sell the cheapest and best article in the District, and invites a visit from Purchasers.

Note the address:

**JAMES HAZLETT,**  
 CLYDE AND CROMWELL.

**WILLIAM TAYLOR,**  
 BOOTMAKER,  
 MELMORE STREET CROMWELL

Has a large and varied stock of Boots and Shoes on hand, of the best quality.

An inspection of the stock is invited.

Boots and Shoes made to order in the latest and most approved fashion.

**ALL WORK GUARANTEED.**

PRICES MODERATE.



**FREE TRADE BUTCHERY,**  
 (Wholesale and Retail).

**JAMES DAWKINS - PROPRIETOR.**

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams, Bacon, &c., always on hand.

\*Meat delivered at Town Prices throughout the district.



**CROMWELL BUTCHERY**  
 (WHOLESALE AND RETAIL),

**OWEN PIERCE - PROPRIETOR.**

A supply of Meat of all descriptions always on hand, and sold at the Lowest Prices.

**GREAT BARGAINS**  
 GREAT BARGAINS!

Just Received,

An assortment of first-class Silver Hunting  
**LEVER WATCHES,**

By the best London makers—all warranted.

ALSO,

Fine Lot of **JEWELLERY and CLOCKS.**  
 Inspection invited.

**E. MURRELL,**  
 Watchmaker, Cromwell.

NOTICE.

**COALS! COALS!! COALS!!!**

The Cromwell Coal Works will in future be carried on by **WILLIAMS & HAYES**, who have much pleasure in calling the attention of the inhabitants of the Cromwell District to their New Seam of Coal, which is far superior to any hitherto obtained in the same works, or in any other portion of the District. They therefore respectfully solicit a continuance of the patronage heretofore bestowed, with the conviction that that patronage will be deserved.

All orders entrusted to us will be attended to at once, and on the shortest notice, as we intend to keep a good supply of coals at the pit-mouth. Coals delivered anywhere, either in or out of the district; and lowest cartage prices charged.

20s. per ton at the Works.  
 32s. delivered.

16 bags to the ton.

**WILLIAMS & HAYES,**  
 Coal Works, Cromwell.

**CHEAP HOUSE, CROMWELL,**

(OPPOSITE COUNCIL CHAMBERS).

**J. SOLOMON,**

THE ORIGINAL AND GENUINE

**CHEAP DRAPER AND CLOTHIER.**

J. S., in thanking the residents of Cromwell and surrounding districts for their valuable support since he established in the district, begs to assure all that he intends keeping up the name he has made, of being

**THE CHEAPEST DRAPER AND CLOTHIER IN CROMWELL.**

Don't forget J. S. was the first to bring down the prices of Drapery, Clothing, Boots, &c., and, with a fair share of support, he is determined to keep them down, and Sell Cheaper than any other house in Cromwell.

Come Early, and See the Largest, Best Assorted, and Cheapest Stock in Cromwell, now being displayed at **J. SOLOMON'S NEW PREMISES.**

### DRAPERY, MILLINERY, &c.

Ladies', Maids', and Children's Drapery and Clothing of every description.

Splendid Assortment of Ladies' Polonaises, Dresses, made up and in the piece, in every variety of shade and texture.

New Stock of Silk Dresses, Silk and Velvet Jackets; large Stock of Hats, trimmed and untrimmed.

Calicoes, Winceys, Flannels, Hollands, Linens, Blankets, Tweeds, Lustres, Persian and Russell Cords, Handkerchiefs, Merinoes, Stays, Underclothing, Waterproofs, Cotton and Woollen Hose.

Handsome Stock of Carpets.

Beautiful goods in Ruffles, Laces, Collars and Cuffs, Silk Scarfs, and Silk Bows.

Alloa and Fingering Yarns.

### THE CLOTHING DEPARTMENT

Comprises Men's, Youth's, and Boys' Clothing of every variety in color and quality.

Crimean Shirts, Flannel Undershirts, Boys' and Youths' Shirts.

Mens', Youths', and Boys' Hats and Caps.

Mens', Youths', and Boys' Half-hose, in Merino, Cotton, and Wool. Lamb's wool Ribbed Pants, Plaiding Pants, Waterproof Coats.

### BOOTS AND SHOES.

Ladies' and Children's, Men's, Youths' and Boys'—the Best Stock in Cromwell.

Fancy Goods and Patent Medicines.  
 Jewelry, Saddlery, Crockery and Glassware.

J. S.'s motto has been, from the first day he opened, to

**SELL CHEAPER THAN ANY OTHER HOUSE IN CROMWELL,**

and he intends sticking to the original motto, and

**NO HUMBUG!**

**J. SOLOMON,**  
**CHEAP HOUSE, MELMORE TERRACE.**

### Bannockburn

**CARRICK RANGE HOTEL,**  
 QUARTZVILLE.

**CHARLES PEAKE,**  
 Proprietor.

The Proprietor, having recently purchased the above well-known and centrally-situated Hotel, is now in a position to offer first-class accommodation to all who may favour him with their patronage.

The Premises are fitted up and furnished on the most complete scale, and the arrangements for the comfort of visitors and travellers are second to none in the district.

COMMODIOUS BILLIARD ROOM,  
 fitted with one of Julius Paser's full-sized tables

AN EXCELLENT SIX-STALLED STABLE,  
 with careful groom always in attendance.

183 **CHARLES PEAKE.**

**BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE,**

DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,  
 (On the Main Road to the Nevis).

GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and HOUSE-  
 HOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions  
 kept in Stock.

The Goods, being obtained **DIRECT** from  
 Dunedin, are retailed at the **LOWEST POS-  
 SIBLE PRICES.**

N.P. —Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &c.

**JOHN RICHARDS, PROPRIETOR.**

**BANNOCKBURN TIMBER YARD**  
 AND CARPENTER'S SHOP.

**JAMES TAYLOR,**

**CROMWELL TIMBER AND IRON YARD,**  
 Begs to inform the Residents of BANNOCKBURN, NEVIS, PORTERS, &c., that in order to meet the increasing requirements of those districts, he has opened a Branch Establishment at Doctor's Flat, opposite Mr Richards' Store.

A good supply of **TIMBER and IRON** for Building and Mining purposes always on hand.

Best Material and Workmanship Cheap for Cash

### Bannockburn.

**A DAMS'S GULLY COAL-PIT,**  
 BANNOCKBURN.

**GEORGE COCKBURN**

Begs to inform the Inhabitants of the Cromwell and Bannockburn Districts that he has opened a Coal-Pit as above, and is prepared to supply Coal of first-class quality and in any quantity at lowest current rates.

Large consumers contracted with on reasonable terms.

**WILLIAM SUTHERLAND,**  
 General

**BLACKSMITH & FARRIER,**

Begs to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that he has removed to

**QUARTZVILLE,**

where he hopes, by strict attention to business and reasonable charges, to merit a share of the public patronage.

**BANNOCKBURN PUBLIC LIBRARY.**

After Monday, April 27th, the Bannockburn Library will be in the **SCHOOLMASTER'S RESIDENCE, Smith's Gully.**

Terms of Subscription:

Five Shillings entrance fee; and One Shilling a Month, payable quarterly in advance.

Cromwell.

**GOLDEN AGE**  
 LIVERY & BAIT  
 STABLES.

**THOMAS GILMOUR,**

Having leased the Stabling in connection with the Golden Age Hotel, Cromwell, begs to assure travellers and others that every attention and care will be paid to horses entrusted to him.

Saddle Horses always on Hire.

Horses well and carefully Broken to Saddle and Harness.

**GOLDEN AGE STABLES,**  
 Melmore Terrace, Cromwell

### Cromwell

**CROMWELL TIMBER & IRON YARD**  
 LATE MR GRANT'S  
 NEW ZEALAND & AMERICAN TIMBER YARD

**JAMES TAYLOR,**

Carpenter and Builder, Ironmonger,



Has **FOR SALE** all kinds of Building Material suitable for the district.

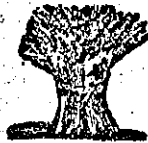
Estimates given for Buildings at the **Lowest** Prices compatible with Good Material and Workmanship.

Punctuality and attention to all orders may be relied on.

A Large Assortment of Paperhangings, Paints, Glass, FURNITURE—comprising Chairs, Tables, Washstands, Iron Bedsteads, &c.

Building Ironmongery, Carpenters' and Miners' Tools, Hemp, Wire, and Manila Rope.

**SADDLERY, &c., cheap.**



**THE CROMWELL BAKERY**

**J. SCOTT,**

**BREAD AND BISCUIT BAKER,**

Melmore-street, Cromwell.

Families waited on for orders, and Bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district.

**K. PRETSCH,**  
 CROMWELL.

COACH AND GENERAL PAINTER,  
 PAPERHANGER, &c.

Has always on hand a fine selection of Paperhangings, Paints, Glass, and Mouldings of every description, at low prices.

Contracts undertaken for General Painting, Paperhanging, Decoration, and Sign Writing.

NOTICE.

**BOOT AND SHOE MAKING.**

**WILLIAM HOWE,**  
 begs to intimate to the public of Cromwell and surrounding Districts that he has begun business as Boot and Shoe Maker in the premises lately erected by him two doors above Mr Baird's residence, Upper Melmore Street, Cromwell.

Having had a long experience in the trade, W. H. is confident that he will give every satisfaction to those who may entrust him with their orders.

Good stock of Boots and Shoes always on hand at reasonable prices.

Repairs neatly and cheaply executed.

Note the address:—Upper Melmore Street.

**THOMAS FOOTE,**

**TAILOR AND CLOTHIER,**  
 MELMORE TERRACE,

**CROMWELL.**

Ladies' Riding Habits made to order.

**CHARLES COLCLOUGH,**

**SHAREBROKER, COMMISSION**  
 AGENT.

**ARBITRATOR, AND ACCOUNTANT**  
 CROMWELL.

Having arranged to devote my time exclusively to these occupations, business entrusted to my care will receive every attention.

Agent for the New Zealand Fire Insurance Company.

REMOVAL.

**CROMWELL APOTHECARIES'**  
 HALL removed to

Mr J. SOLOMON'S former Premises,  
 Next the Golden Age Hotel.

**MAX GALL,**

**PHARMACEUTICAL CHEMIST AND DRUGGIST.**  
 Prescriptions accurately prepared.

Dealer in Fancy Goods, Perfumery, Stationery, Tobacco and Cigars.

**NEWS AGENT & BOOKSELLER.**

M. G. is happy to be able to state that, business having greatly increased, prices for medicines will in future be considerably reduced from former rates.

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Oliver Cromwell's Head.

**HENRICH BEHRENS,**  
having purchased from Mr La Fontaine  
the business lately carried on by him in Crom-  
well as

**WHEELWRIGHT AND COACH-BUILDER,**  
Begg to announce that he will carry on the  
same as before, in the premises opposite the  
Bank of New South Wales.

Good work guaranteed; and prices moderate.

Repairs promptly executed.

CROMWELL

**VETERINARY SHOEING FORGE,**  
Next door to  
Kidd's CROMWELL HOTEL.

ROBERT WISHART,

General Blacksmith, Farrier, Machinist, &c.,  
Begg to intimate to the public that he has pur-  
chased the business from Mr EDWARD LINDSAY,  
as Farrier and Blacksmith, and hopes by paying  
strict attention to business, and turning out good  
substantial work of all kinds, guaranteed, to  
merit a continuance of public support.

R. W. begg to intimate to the public generally  
that he has purchased the CAST-IRON BED for  
TIRING WHEELS from Mr LINDSAY, being the  
first introduced up-country; and in this branch  
he will guarantee to give every satisfaction.

Horses shod on the latest and most approved  
principle.

Light Shoes . . . 12s.  
Draught do. . . 17s.

R. W. I. S. H. A. R. T.,  
Veterinary Shoeing Forge.

**P R O S P E C T U S**  
OF THE  
**CROWN AND CROSS QUARTZ MIN-  
ING COMPANY.**  
**CARRICK RANGE.**

The proprietors of the above Company, being  
anxious to erect a crushing-mill on or adjacent  
to their valuable quartz claim, known as the  
Crown and Cross, beg to lay the following facts  
before the investing public, with the hope that  
the object as stated may be carried out.

The ground now held by the proprietors is an  
ordinary six men's claim, -600 feet along the  
line of reef by 300 feet wide, -and within these  
boundaries are two if not more lines of reef, both  
of which have been proved to contain gold.  
From the first a yield was obtained of some 300  
ozs. of gold, but owing to the charges for carting  
and crushing did not prove payable. The other  
reef, however, yielded the handsome return of  
212 ozs. retorted gold from 480 tons of quartz.  
This crushing paid a good dividend. But if the  
battery had been on the ground, the results  
would have proved even more encouraging. The  
proprietors have now 120 tons of quartz from  
this latter reef on its way to the mill.

The proprietors have traced this reef 300 feet  
along the surface, finding it to carry payable  
gold throughout; and have sunk two shafts, one  
30 and the other 40 feet, from which the above  
quartz was obtained. They have also driven a  
tunnel in 80 feet, which has cut the reef two  
feet thick at a depth of 75 feet from the surface.  
In the reef at this depth gold is plainly visible.  
By continuing this tunnel, the other reef would  
be cut at a depth of 180 feet.

Professor Ulrich, when inspecting this mine,  
gave it as his opinion that the proprietors would  
cut yet another reef, known as the Try Again,  
which would considerably enhance the value of  
the property now offered.

The proprietors purpose floating the company  
as follows: -The capital will be £6000, in 3000  
shares of £2 each, of which 30s. will be paid up,  
leaving 10s. on call. The present proprietors  
will retain two-thirds of these, and now offer  
the balance to the public. As soon as 1000  
shares are applied for, they bind themselves to  
devote £750 of the proceeds to erect the crushing-  
mill on the claim, -the said mill being in the  
first place to crush the company's stone, and,  
when disengaged, to crush for the public at a  
remunerative rate. The proprietors have se-  
cured an excellent mill-site at the junction of the  
two branches of Smith's gully, from which they  
can obtain a plentiful supply of water for crush-  
ing purposes. It is the intention to drive the  
mill by steam power at the beginning, and until  
more water shall be available for the motive  
power.

For any further particulars respecting the  
above property, apply to

HERBERT, WATSON, & COTTON,

On the ground; or

JAMES MARSHALL,

Cromwell.

We have seldom to report the arrival of such  
a large quantity of drapery into this town in one  
week. W. Talboys, of the London House, has  
just received his splendid stock of Winter  
Drapery, Boots, and Clothing, selected by him-  
self with great care, from the largest stocks in  
Dunedin. In consequence of the arrival of his  
new stock, amounting to over £1800, he is  
obliged to extend his premises; and has opened  
out a show-room for millinery, underclothing, and  
ladies boots. It is needless to state that since  
the arrival, the place has been thronged with  
customers to purchase the latest novelties; and  
the public would do well to pay a visit to this  
establishment, where a first-rate article can be  
bought at such prices as to defy competition.  
For particulars, see advertisement. -[Advr.]

**NEW  
WINTER DRAPERY!**

AT  
**W. TALBOYS,**  
LONDON HOUSE, CROMWELL.

**60 CASES CONTAINING 60 CASES**  
**THE NEWEST AND MOST FASHION-  
ABLE GOODS**

To be obtained in Dunedin, and personally  
selected with great care for this market.

**ALL  
NEW  
GOODS.**  
Fancy Dresses—Silk Repps,  
Poplins, Merinos, Plaids,  
Aberdeen Wineys, Silk  
Winceys  
Coloured and Black Silks.

Double-breasted Elegantly  
trimmed Jackets,—in velvet, beaver,  
cloth and sealskin  
Plain and Reversible Shawls.

**LATEST  
FASHIONS**  
Costumes—in homespun, black  
repp, French cloth, Melton,  
and winey.

**CHOICE  
AND  
NEW.**  
Trimmed Hats, Feathers,  
Flowers, Ribbons, and Or-  
naments  
Satin Hoods and Hats  
Woollen and Lace Goods—  
splendid assortment.

**TWO BALES:**  
100 Pairs. Blankets in all sizes—white,  
scarlet, blue, grey, and Mos-  
giel  
Rugs of all descriptions.

**VERY  
CHEAP.**  
White Flannel—30 pieces  
Twilled Flannel—all colours.

**MADE  
TO  
ORDER.**  
Men's, Youths', and Boys'  
double and single-breasted  
Suits—in Nelson, Geelong,  
Colonial, & Mosgiel tweeds  
Trousers, Trousers and Vests  
White and colored Moles.

**Large Sizes.**  
Shirts—Crimean, tweed, and  
plaid  
Flannel Shirts.

**Extra Heavy.**  
Knitted Pants, Mosgiel Pants,  
Flannel Pants—24 doz.  
Aberdeen Socks—100 doz.

**NEWEST  
STYLES.**  
Hats in all shapes—black and  
colored felts  
Dress Shirts, Ties, Scarfs, and  
Collars  
Men's Hosiery—a large stock.

**MADE  
TO  
ORDER.**  
Ladies' and Children's kid and  
leather Boots  
Boys' and Youths' E.S. and  
nailed Boots  
Men's E.S., water-tight, and  
shooting Boots—best Colo-  
nial make.

**SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS**

WILL BE OFFERED

FOR SIX WEEKS,

As £1000 must be realised in that time.

**W. TALBOYS,  
LONDON HOUSE,  
MELMORE-ST., CROMWELL.**

**Read This**

IMPORTANT

**ANNOUNCEMENT!**

TO THE

**LADIES OF CROMWELL AND  
SURROUNDING DISTRICT,**

**AND RESIDENTS GENERALLY.**

**I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.**

Are now opening out and have

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All the goods have been

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in favourable markets, and

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We beg to draw particular attention to

the following lines:—

**FANCY COSTUMES**—in Homespun,  
Melton, and other materials

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A Large and Well-selected Assortment.

The Ladies' Department of this  
Establishment is fully stocked with every  
requisite, and INSPECTION is respectfully  
INVITED.

**THE MENS' DEPARTMENT**

Is more than usually replete with the Best

Make and Material of Colonial Manufac-

ture—every article being carefully selected

with a view to suit the requirements of

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**I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,**

**MELMORE-ST., CROMWELL.**

A correspondent draws our attention to a  
strong corroboration of the main incidents of  
the story lately told in these columns respect-  
ing the head of the Lord Protector Cromwell,  
to be found in the "Fifty Years' Recollections,  
Literary and Personal," of the late Mr  
Cyrus Redding, and resting on the authority  
of Horace Smith, one of the authors of "Re-  
jected Addresses," &c. Redding writes un-  
der date about 1821 or 1822:—"Horace  
Smith was acquainted with a medical gentle-  
man who had in his possession the head of  
Oliver Cromwell, and in order to gratify my  
curiosity he gave me a note (of introduction)  
to him. There accompanied the head a  
memorandum relating to its history. It had  
been torn from the tomb with the heads of  
Ireton and Bradshaw after the accession of  
Charles II., under a feeling of impotent ven-  
geance. All three were fixed over the en-  
trance of Westminster-hall, the other bones  
of those three distinguished men being in-  
terred at Tyburn under the gibbet—an act  
well befitting the Stuart character. During  
a stormy night," he adds, "the head in the  
centre, that of Cromwell, fell to the ground.  
The sentry on guard beneath having a natu-  
ral respect for an heroic soldier, no matter of  
what party, took up the head and placed it  
under his cloak until he went off duty. He  
then carried it to the Russells, who were the  
nearest relations of Cromwell's family, and  
disposed of it to them. It belonged to a  
lady, a descendant of the Cromwells, who  
did not like to keep it in her house. There  
was a written minute extant along with it.  
The disappearance of the head (off West-  
minster hall) is mentioned in some of the  
publications of the time. It had been care-  
fully embalmed, as Cromwell's body is  
known to have been two years before its dis-  
interment. The nostrils were filled with a  
substance like cotton. The brain had been  
extracted by dividing the scalp. The mem-  
branes within were perfect, but dried up and  
looked like parchment. The decapitation had  
evidently been performed after death, as the  
state of the flesh over the vertebrae of the  
neck plainly showed. It was hacked, and  
the severance had evidently been done by a  
hand not used to the work, for there were  
several other cuts besides that which ac-  
tually separated the bone. The beard, of a  
chestnut color, seemed to have grown since  
death. An ashen pole, pointed with iron,  
had received the head clumsily impaled upon  
its point, which came out an inch or so above  
the crown, rusty and time-worn. The wood  
of the staff and the skin itself had been per-  
forated by the common woodworm. I wrote  
to Horace Smith that I had seen the head,  
and deemed it genuine. Smith replied, 'I  
am gratified you were pleased with Cromwell's  
head, as I was when I saw it, being fully  
persuaded of its identity.' It remains then  
on record that two persons, both men of the  
world and of large experience, and yet so  
different from each other in character as  
Horace Smith and Cyrus Redding, were satis-  
fied with the evidence brought before them  
to prove its being genuine nearly fifty years  
ago.—London Times, January 23.

**The Canary Bird.**

The canary bird is a universal favorite in  
our households. Its pleasant song and kindly  
ways endear it to us. Before any knowledge  
can be given of its diseases certain rules  
must be observed, and I give them. 1st.  
Do not keep the bird in a newly-painted cage  
or room. 2nd. Do not hang the bird over  
a stove or grate containing a fire. 3rd. Do  
not let drafts blow upon your bird, or your  
room be over 80 degs. Fahrenheit. 4th. Do  
not wash the bottom of the cage, but scrape  
it with a knife. This will remove all dirt  
without chilling the bird. 5th. Do not keep  
males and females in separate cages during  
the breeding season. (This is a common  
error of many.) When you have been feed-  
ing your bird on egg and bread, and food of  
like character, its abdomen becomes dis-  
tended, its feathers fall out, the veins swell,  
the bird is languid, and will not sing. With  
draw all such food and give a little lettuce  
and canary seed alone, and put a rusty nail  
in its drinking water. Birds confined to a  
seed diet are troubled with costiveness.  
Give them a small piece of bread soaked in  
milk, or a blade of cabbage will remedy this  
evil. Your bird may be subject to epilepsy,  
and lie upon its back and pull its feathers  
out. Put your bird in a bath of cold water  
two or three times and put it back in the  
cage. The water will probably cure it.  
Sometimes the bird has the asthma and  
wheezes or makes a cracking noise when  
breathing. Give it a piece of bread which  
has been soaked in water and squeezed out,  
and then boiled in milk (a kind of pap), also  
a piece of lettuce or cabbage. Diarrhoea is  
known by excessive discharges accompanied  
by pain. The bird does not sing, and it be-  
comes morose. Give it bread in boiled milk,  
and put a rusty nail in its drinking water;  
change the water twice a-week. Sometimes  
birds will not sing after molting. The bird  
forgets the notes, and upon being hung near  
a singer will start again. Mites infest the  
cage, the head and body of the bird; in fact  
the whole surface of both may be alive with  
them. Take one ounce of corrosive sublimate,  
dissolve it in alcohol, and paint the cage.

After a prosecuting attorney in Maryland  
had heaped vituperation upon a prisoner  
without counsel, the judge asked the latter if  
he had anything to say for himself. "Yes,"  
answered the prisoner, "I want you to post-  
pone this case long enough for me to find a  
blackguard to answer that one there."



**TO LET, a Four-Roomed COTTAGE.**  
Apply  
**JOHN MARSH.**

**WANTED, a GENERAL SERVANT.**—  
Apply, Mrs. JACKSON, All Nations  
Hotel, Carrickton.

**WANTED, STONEMASONS** to  
build Dwelling-house, at per yard.  
Apply to  
**DONALD M'LENNAN,**  
Hawea Flat.

**ON SALE, a Quantity of Splendid**  
**OATS.**  
**JOHN MARSH,**  
Bridge Hotel, Cromwell.

**EUREKA GOLD MINING CO.,**  
**BENDIGO GULLY.**

A Third Call of One Pound per Share is payable to me on or before the 15th May.

**JOHN MARSH,**  
Secretary and Treasurer.

**A. O. F.**

**COURT STAR OF CROMWELL.**

Summoned Meeting, Saturday, May 15, 1875.

By order.  
**JOHN MARSH,**  
Secretary.

**A UCTIONEER.**

**CHARLES COLCLOUGH,**  
Having commenced business as Auctioneer, is  
now prepared to

**UNDERTAKE ANY SALES**  
with which he may be favored.

General Mining and Commission Agency Office,  
Melmore Terrace, Cromwell.

**CORPORATION NOTICE.**

Owners of UNREGISTERED Dogs and Goats  
will be PROSECUTED after this week.

**CHAS. COLCLOUGH,**  
Town Clerk.

**ELIZABETH QUARTZ MINING**  
**COMPANY.**

Tenders required for Driving 100 feet (or cut  
the reef) in the Company's Tunnel.

Specifications (similar to others in all respects)  
may be seen at my office, Cromwell, where tend-  
ers are to be lodged before 3 p.m. on SATUR-  
DAY NEXT.

**CHAS. COLCLOUGH,**  
Manager.

**EDWARD ALDRIDGE,**  
**FARRIER,**

**BLACKSMITH, and MACHINIST;**  
(late of Clyde.)

Has started business in the above line in the  
premises lately occupied by J. W. THOMSON, in  
Melmore Terrace, Cromwell. From his long  
experience in the District, and his well-known  
habit of promptly executing all orders entrusted  
to him, he confidently hopes to receive a share  
of public patronage.

**N.B.**—A large stock of Horse and Cattle  
Medicines and Drugs on hand.

Ornamental Gates and Palisading, suitable for  
Cemeteries, public or private fences, made to  
any pattern.

Horses shod on the Goodenough or Charlier  
principle.

**EDWARD ALDRIDGE,**  
Melmore Terrace, Cromwell.

**FRANCIS SANSON,**  
**SADDLER & HARNESS-MAKER,**

Melmore Street, Cromwell,  
(Next door to Marsh's Bridge Hotel.)

Every description of work carefully and expe-  
ditiously executed.

**Holloway's Ointment.**—Sores, wounds, ulcerations, and other diseases affecting the skin, are capable of speedy amendment by this cooling and healing unguent, which has called forth the loudest praise from persons who had suffered for years from bad legs, abscesses and chronic ulcers, after every hope of cure had long passed away. None but those who have experienced the soothing effect of this Ointment can form an idea of the comfort it bestows, by restraining inflammation and allaying pain. Whenever Holloway's Ointment has been once used it has established its own worth, and has again been eagerly sought for, as the easiest and safest remedy for all ulcerous complaints. In neuralgia, rheumatism, and gout, the same application, properly used, gives wonderful relief.

**N O T I C E**

All Persons indebted to the Estate of the late  
**WILSON GRAY** are urgently requested to com-  
municate with the undersigned without delay.  
All debts and liabilities, upon being duly authen-  
ticated, will be paid forthwith.

Dated at Dunedin, this 7th day of April, 1875

**W. H. M'KEAY,**  
Solicitor, Princes-street, Dunedin,  
Sole Executor of the late Wilson Gray.

**N O T I C E**

In pursuance of the 14th section of the Li-  
censing Act 1873 Amendment Act 1874, I hereby  
give notice that the Quarterly LICENSING  
MEETING for the Districts of Cromwell Town  
and Cromwell District will be held on TUES-  
DAY, the 1st day of June, 1875, in the Court-  
house, Cromwell, at the hour of noon, for the  
purpose of taking into consideration all Applica-  
tions for Certificates for such Licenses as are  
authorised to be granted at the said meeting of  
the Licensing Court, and the Transfer or Re-  
moval of Licenses, of which due notice shall  
have been given to me, for the aforesaid Dis-  
tricts in which the premises in respect of which  
such application is made are situated respec-  
tively.

**B. R. BAIRD,**  
Clerk to Licensing Court.

Office of Clerk to Licensing Court,  
Cromwell, April 26, 1875.

**N O T I C E**

In pursuance of the 14th Section of the Li-  
censing Act 1873 Amendment Act 1874, I  
hereby give notice that the Quarterly LICENS-  
ING MEETING for the District of CARDRONA  
will be held on Tuesday, the 1st day of JUNE,  
1875, at PEMBROKE, at the hour of Noon, for  
the purpose of taking into consideration all Ap-  
plications for Certificates for such Licenses as  
are authorised to be granted at the said meeting  
of the Licensing Court, and the Transfer or Re-  
newal or Removal of Licenses, of which due  
notice shall have been given to me, for the afore-  
said District in which the premises in respect of  
which such application is made are situated.

**B. R. BAIRD,**  
Clerk to Licensing Court.

Office of Clerk to Licensing Court,  
Cromwell, April 26, 1875.

**M INING LEASES REGULATIONS.**

PROVINCE OF OTAGO, NEW ZEALAND.

May 7, 1875.

To the Warden, Cromwell.

Sir,—I have this day paid to the District Sur-  
veyor the sum required for the survey of the  
following gold mining lease application, as re-  
quired by the Gold Mining Leases Regulations  
of Otago, and I agree, upon the approval of this  
application, to execute a lease upon the bases  
therein stated, if the Governor or his Delegate  
shall think fit to grant the same.—I have the  
honor to be, sir, your obedient servant,

**JAMES MARSHALL,**  
Manager, Star of the East Co.

Name and address in full of applicants.—  
James Marshall, Manager Star of the East Co.  
Style under which it is intended to conduct  
the business.—Star of the East Quartz Mining  
Company, Registered.

Extent of Land applied for.—400 yards by  
200 yards.

Minimum number of men to be employed by  
the lessee.—For the first six months 6 men;  
subsequently, when in full work, 10 men.

Amount of capital proposed to be invested.—  
£12,000.

Proposed mode of working the land.—Tun-  
nelling.

Precise locality.—Carrick Range.

Term for which lease is required.—Fifteen  
years.

Time of commencing operations.—Immediately.

The above application and any objection  
thereto will be heard before me, at Cromwell,  
on June 18, 1875. Any person desiring to ob-  
ject to the issue of a mining lease upon the above  
application, must, within 39 clear days from the  
date of such application enter his objection at  
my office.

**W. LAWRENCE SIMPSON.**

Warden.

**NOTICE OF REMOVAL.**

The establishment of

**JAMES HAZLETT,**  
Grocer and Provision Merchant,

Is now removed to those premises formerly oc-  
cupied by Mr WILLIAM SHANLY, near the Bank  
of New South Wales.

**CHURCH OF ENGLAND.**

AN AMATEUR CONCERT

in aid of the above

Will take place in the ATHENÆUM HALL,  
on or about the 20th instant.

Particulars in next issue.

**TO STONEMASONS**

TENDERS wanted for the Erection of a  
STONE WALL around the Cromwell School  
Ground. Tenders to be sent in by To-morrow  
Evening, addressed to

**E. MURRELL,**  
Hon. Secretary.

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**CUMMINS IS COMING!**

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**F O R S A L E**

A THIRD SHARE in COAL-PIT, Horses,  
Drays, &c.—This property, well known  
as BELL, KANE, & Co.'s, at the Bannock-  
burn, is the oldest and most valuable  
Coal-pit in the District, having long sup-  
plied the Carrick machines, as well as  
Cromwell. A lease of five acres has lately  
been obtained, and a tunnel put in. The  
supply of coal is practically unlimited.

Also, an Interest in the Royal Standard  
Machine.

For particulars, apply to

**Mr J. KANE,**  
At the pit; or to  
**JAMES MARSHALL,**  
Agent, Cromwell.

**CROMWELL KILWINNING**  
**LODGE (S.C.)**

The REGULAR MEETING of the above Lodge  
will be held on Wednesday, May 19.

Business: Raisings.

By order of the R. W. M.

**Cromwell Argus,**

AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

CROMWELL: WEDNESDAY, MAY 12, 1875.

The district Hospital Committee meets  
in the Town-hall to-morrow evening, and the  
Town Council on Friday.

On Thursday morning last, the pneu-  
matic dredge sank at her moorings at Clyde, and  
is a total wreck. A warrant was held by the  
bailiff for the seizure of the vessel.

We are requested to intimate that the  
sitting of the Licensing Court at Pembroke, ad-  
vertised for the 1st day of June, has been post-  
poned till Wednesday, the 16th of that month.

Mr Colclough notifies by advertisement  
that he is now prepared to conduct sales by auc-  
tion, and execute other business entrusted to  
him in this line. No doubt Mr Colclough will  
be liberally supported in his new sphere.

We understand the Corporation have  
secured Mr Barker's share in the Firewood  
Creek water-right at the same figure as that paid  
to Mr Strachan, £350. A plentiful and pure  
supply is thus available.

Sergeant Cassels, who has been in charge  
of this district for many years, is under order to  
remove to Dunedin, Constable M'Gann, late of  
Blacks, having been appointed his successor here.  
Much regret is expressed at the Sergeant's re-  
moval, as he has earned the goodwill and esteem  
of all classes in this community.

Last week a Chinaman succumbed to  
the severity of the weather in the Nevis district.  
He and his mates were working at a place sug-  
gestively called "the North Pole," and a severe  
snow storm setting in, the party made for the  
Nevis township. On the road, deceased knocked  
up, and the efforts of his companions to get him  
along were unavailing. After one or two  
struggles against the storm he sank down ex-  
hausted, and died in the arms of one of his  
mates, one of whom came in and reported the  
matter to the police.

A good deal of illness prevails among  
the juveniles here just now, principally taking  
the form of "mumps" and throat affections.

Mr Hazlett has now removed his stock-  
in-trade to those commodious and central pre-  
mises formerly occupied by Mr Shanly.

Among other bills passed by the sitting  
Provincial Council is "The Cromwell Reserves  
Management Bill." A report of the Council  
proceedings will be found on our seventh page.

We hear complaints about the private  
boxes at the Post-office. The doors are, it seems,  
far from tight fitting, and any one so inclined  
would find no difficulty in abstracting letters  
from the receptacles. This should be looked to.

We have received a long letter from Mr  
James Aitchison, replying to some strictures on  
road works management appearing in the *Dun-  
stan Times* of last week, under the head "Crom-  
well Gossip." Mr Aitchison should have for-  
warded his letter to the journal in which the  
offensive writings appeared.

Devotees of the "mazy dance" have  
ample opportunity this season of indulging in  
the enjoyable recreation, no less than two  
quadrille parties having been instituted—one  
under the auspices of the local body of Templars,  
the other being the re-commencement of a social  
party which has existed for two or three seasons.  
It is said "one can't have too much of a good  
thing," but we cannot help thinking one popular  
quadrille assembly a week would prove much  
more pleasant than two which have more than  
the semblance of opposition. Let them amalga-  
mate to be thoroughly successful.

On Friday last, a painful sensation was  
experienced in Cromwell owing to a rumour that  
Mrs Beck, wife of a respected resident of Clyde,  
had died very suddenly. Later, the correctness  
of the assertion was confirmed, and with the con-  
firmation came the statement that the deceased  
had met her death by poison. At an inquest  
held on Saturday, it was found that Mrs Beck  
had died from the effects of essential oil of  
almonds, taken while in a state of temporary in-  
sanity. The deceased lady was widely known  
and held in much esteem, and her sad and un-  
timely end is deeply regretted.

Evidently Mr Ulrich carries with him  
a remembrance of the rich resources of Cromwell  
district in quartz reefs, and has not failed to  
make them known to capitalists in the sister  
colony. A wealthy speculator last week visited  
and inspected the various mines at Bendigo and  
Carrick Range with a view to investment should  
favourable "incentive" offer. We believe he  
bore letters of introduction from Mr Ulrich to  
practical miners in the localities named who are  
well qualified to give all information regarding  
our reefing interests. It is easy to see the im-  
petus which may be given the mining industry of  
the district—and indeed the Province—by the  
dissemination of the practical knowledge gained  
by Mr Ulrich during his recent visit.

A meeting of the Athenæum Committee  
was held in the Town-hall last night, at which  
there were present: Messrs Preshaw (chair),  
Arndt, Wakefield, Taylor, Fergus, Marshall,  
and Jolly (hon. sec.). After confirmation of  
previous minutes, a report from the Librarian  
was read, in which it was stated that thirty-two  
volumes were missing from the shelves. Ac-  
counts to the amount of £19 10s. were passed  
for payment. It was resolved to insure the hall  
for the sum of £500 in the Norwich Union Co.  
The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr  
MacKellar regarding the land endowment and  
Athenæum sections. A sub-committee, consist-  
ing of Messrs Fergus, Jolly, Preshaw, Taylor,  
and Arndt, was appointed to arrange for the  
initiation of a series of winter evening entertain-  
ments in aid of the funds of the institution.  
This constituted the principal portion of the  
business done, after which the meeting closed.

The Carrick Range correspondent of the  
*Bruce Herald* evidently has "an edge" on Mr  
MacKellar, and is not particular what he says  
to injure that gentleman. In his last letter, the  
following malicious statement appears:—"The  
conduct of our representative in the Council, re-  
the Kawarau Bridge, will be closely watched, as  
it is freely asserted that he has an interest in it,  
or in some way connected with it, and is op-  
posed to the Government buying it over." Such  
an insinuation as this carries animus on the face  
of it, and is not calculated to raise the writer in  
the esteem of honorable men. When waited on  
by a deputation of the Town Council with refer-  
ence to this Bridge, our representative spoke in  
no undecided terms in favor of its being pur-  
chased by the Government, and recollecting his  
remarks at that time, and his promise to use his  
utmost influence in the desired direction, we  
cannot but characterise the attempt to traduce  
his political reputation by the Carrick Range  
correspondent as unfair and unmanly. We are  
no special advocate of Mr MacKellar, but feel it  
is only just to his constituency to protest against  
such an unworthy effort to impute dishonest  
motives.

For the information of Nevis residents,  
a correspondent furnishes us with the following  
information regarding the boundary lines of the  
Dunstan and Wakatipu electoral districts:—"The  
line which separates the Wakatipu from the  
Dunstan General Assembly electoral district  
begins at the head of the Passburn (near the  
Lindis pass), and follows the course of the Pass-  
burn to its junction with the Lindis; then fol-  
lows the course of the Lindis to its confluence  
with the Clutha; from thence it follows a trig-  
line to Mount Pisa, and strikes the course of the  
Kirtleburn, following that stream to its junction  
with the Kawarau; from the junction of the  
Kawarau with the Kirtleburn, the line then fol-  
lows the highest ridge of the Carrick Ranges for  
a distance of (in a straight line) twenty-two  
miles, till it reaches the head of Frenchman's  
gully, or the source of the Fraser river; from  
whence it strikes off in a westerly direction till  
it reaches the Obelisk peak at the head of But-  
cher's gully, where it again turns in a southerly  
direction for a distance of about five miles, till  
it intersects the trig line running due east and  
west which separates the Wakatipu and Dunstan  
districts from the Waikais district."—As we  
publish this for the information of the Nevis  
electors particularly, we may add that the south-  
ern boundary runs from Lorn Peak to Rock  
Mountain, and then follows the trig line last  
mentioned.

## TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

## DUNEDIN.

TUESDAY, 8 p.m.

A requisition is in course of signature, requesting the Mayor to call a meeting of the ratepayers to consider the enormous awards made by the arbitrators connected with the widening of Princes-street south.

The Hon. W. H. Reynolds took his seat in the Provincial Council yesterday afternoon.

The body of a man was found by the police in MacLaggan-street quarry yesterday morning. At the inquest to-day, the evidence showed it was that of a Portuguese named Zibono, and that he had probably met his death by falling over the embankment from Arthur-street into the quarry.

An inquest was also held to-day on the bodies of John Claffey and Robert Byers, who both met death by falls of earth where they were working. Verdicts of accidental death were returned at both inquests.

His Excellency the Governor held a levee to-day at Fern-hill, and after the presentations were over, the members of the Provincial Council mustered, and the Speaker presented an address, to which his Excellency suitably replied.

At the adjourned meeting of the Shotover Company, Mr C. S. Harvey was appointed to confer with the District Surveyor and with adjoining claimholders at the Shotover.

At the Court of Appeal to-day, before Judges Johnson and Gillies, judgment was delivered in the Macrewhenua mining case, Borton v. Howe. Their Honors entered at great length on the principles on which riparian rights and miners' privileges must be determined, and held that if a stream flowing through private property were polluted by tailings, the owner of the property had a right to nominate damages against the person causing such pollution, and also to recover such substantial damages as should be proved to have been sustained. The fact of others being equally implicated would not save defendants from liability for damages. On these grounds, the Court gave judgment by consent for plaintiff: no costs awarded on either side.

The case was sent to appeal by the Government, who pay the costs on both sides.

BLUFF, May 10.

The Tararua, with the English mails, arrived at 1 p.m. to-day. She brings English news to May 1st.

LONDON, April 28.

The installation of the Prince of Wales as Grand Master of the Freemasons was a magnificent ceremony. 7000 members of the Order were present.

April 29.

An influential deputation yesterday had an interview with Lord Carnarvon, urging the annexation of New Guinea. Lord Carnarvon acknowledged the importance of the subject, but thought the Government should proceed cautiously, and desired to see the manifestation of greater interest on the part of Australia.

May 1.

Mr Vogel has arranged for the laying of a New Zealand cable.

By a colliery explosion at Bunker's Hill, in Staffordshire, thirty-five persons were killed.

Mercer, the Lyttelton murderer, was executed last Friday morning. He was perfectly callous, and up to the last protested his innocence.

The following are the entries for the races in Dunedin on the Queen's birthday:—Hurdle Race: Miss Morris, Mistletoe, Tommy Dodd, Kildare, Schoolboy, Ivanhoe, Theodore, and Medora. For the Birthday and Tradesmen's Handicaps: King Philip, Rory O'More, Atlas, Merry Monarch, Kathleen, Boomerang, Lyndon, Tadmor, Castaway, Right Bower, Guy Fawkes, and Towton colt. For the Publican's: Envy, Congreve, and Sonnambula.

It will be recollected that some weeks since we announced the discovery by Messrs Hall and M'Nulty, of a reef in the neighbourhood of Macetown, Arrow district. After opening out a face in the lode, the prospectors had a ton of unpicked stone packed down to Arrowtown and thence forwarded to Cromwell to be crushed. The quartz was taken to the Standard battery, Carrick, where it was put through and washed up on Saturday evening, under the supervision of Mr Reid. The result was an agreeable surprise to the discoverers, the net proceeds from the ton of stone being 50z. 2½dwt. of gold. Judging by this, the discoverers have hit on a good thing, and it is to be hoped the test crushing will prove a criterion of the value of the reef. The proprietors are confident this is so. Unfortunately, the locality of the reef precludes the party from working in winter, so that further operations will have to be suspended for a season. Having thus practically demonstrated the existence and value of reefs in their neighbourhood, it is but reasonable to suppose the Arrow people will put forth their energies in the direction of assisting to bring to light the wealth which lies buried almost beneath their feet. The prospectors in this particular instance are not men of wealth, but they appear to be possessed of energy and pluck; they have, so far, done their part well, and we hope to see those who must reap substantial benefits from their labours lending a helping hand towards the opening up and systematic working of permanent quartz mines.

Picnic, one of Count Lagrange's racehorses, now in training at Newmarket, England, some months ago had a broken leg set by a veterinary surgeon. The horse is now perfectly sound, and will probably figure upon the racecourse during the coming season. So perfect a cure is said to be unprecedented.

## A FATAL DEBAUCH.

Information was received in town on Friday that a man named Bynon was lying dead in a hut in Potter's Gully, Carrick, his death being the result of a drunken debauch he had kept up for some days in company with his mate, Matthew O'Rourke, and a storekeeper named Birnie. The police, on proceeding to the spot, found the report correct, and at once took the necessary steps to have the body brought in to Carrickton, where an enquiry was held on Monday, particulars of which will be found below.

While the storekeeper, Birnie, was indulging his depraved appetite for drink, his wife came into Cromwell, as she said, to look for him, leaving a family of small children in Potter's—an out-of-the-way place, where the population is composed of a number of Chinese. The woman seemed unsettled in her mind, and talked vaguely. The mystery is, how she managed to get through the snow, which in places is very deep. However, she did manage, and got home again all right, it seems. Yesterday, the police officer in charge received a message from Mr Cowan, Kawarau Station, to the effect that the woman had come to his place (about six miles from her own residence) the night previous, with a dying child in her arms. The child was taken from her, restoratives applied, and the wanderers accommodated for the night. When morning came, it was found the mother had left the place, and no trace of her could be found. The police are now searching for her. There is no doubt the poor woman is out of her mind, and fears of the worst are entertained, as the snow is very heavy on the ranges just now.

## CORONER'S INQUEST.

An inquiry into the cause of death of John Bynon was instituted by Dr Corse, Coroner, and a jury, (Mr William Menzies, foreman,) at Angel's Reefers' Arms Hotel, Carrickton, on Monday. The following evidence was taken:—

John Birnie, being sworn, stated: I am a storekeeper, residing at Potter's Gully. I identify the body now on view as that of John Bynon. On the 5th inst., deceased and a man named Matthew O'Rourke were with me in my hut. I had a demijohn of grog in the hut, which originally contained two gallons. We had been drinking from the Sunday previous. On the Wednesday night we all slept in the hut; and during the night two or three times I heard deceased drinking. On the following morning, about ten o'clock, I looked at the deceased and found that he was dead. During the day, I despatched O'Rourke to inform the police. There was no quarrelling whatever. All that I know concerning the death of Bynon is that we were all drinking the contents of the demijohn from the Sunday previous, and that deceased died sleeping amongst us.

By the Coroner: I have a business license. I gave the liquor at the opening of my new store.

Matthew O'Rourke, sworn, said: I am a miner, residing in Pipeclay Gully. I identify the body as that of John Bynon, who was a mate of mine for the last four years. He was a native of Wales, was 52 years old, had no relatives in the Colony, and was possessed of no property. On Sunday, the 3rd inst., he and I went to Birnie's store, where we had drink. We continued drinking until we became drunk. All the next day (Monday) we continued drinking. On Tuesday we all got drunk again, and on Wednesday we were still drunk. I was so drunk that I cannot remember when Birnie first told me Bynon was dead. I went on Friday morning and reported the death to the police. No dispute occurred between the deceased, Birnie, and myself.

By the Jury: I heard a gurgling noise in Bynon's throat on Wednesday night, but was too drunk to relieve him. I cannot say whether he was drinking or dying. The only nourishment we took from Monday to Thursday was some tea and bread and butter.

Jesse Geer: I am a baker, residing at Quartzville. On Wednesday, the 5th, about six o'clock in the evening, I was at Birnie's store. I saw Birnie, Matthew O'Rourke, and the deceased, John Bynon. The three were lying down. Birnie and O'Rourke spoke. Bynon moaned once. O'Rourke and Birnie were drunk.

The following is a copy of the verdict:—"The jury are of opinion that John Bynon's death was caused by excessive drinking and exposure to cold. The jury also wish to add that in all cases of sudden death, a post mortem should take place, for the better satisfaction of a jury. The jury also are of opinion that Mr Birnie showed great negligence in not reporting the case sooner to the police."

## WARDEN'S COURT.

FRIDAY, MAY 7, 1875.

(Before W. L. Sims, Esq., Warden.)

## APPLICATIONS.

Extended Claims.—P. Revell and another, 2 acres, Pipeclay terrace; T. Muir and others, 3 acres, between Pipeclay and Bailey's gullies; Owen O'Neill, 1 acre, Bailey's gully; Ah Nang and others, 6 acres, Nevis; A. Ferguson and others, 3 acres, Pipeclay gully;—granted. G. B. Williamson, 1 acre, Roaring Meg flat—refused, applicant having shifted his pegs since putting in his application.

Tail Race.—A. Williamson and others, half mile long, from claim at Nevis flat—granted.

Protection.—P. Wilson and another, 90 days, claim, Smith's gully—granted.

Resteance Area.—J. T. H. Brown, 1 acre, Long gully—granted.

Mining Leases.—C. Hassen, 16 acres, Bendigo; Daniels and others, Rise and Shine gully; and C. Colclough, adjoining Loran's No. 2 lease.—These applications were adjourned 14 days.

Cancellation of Certificates.—Certificates were cancelled on the application of Wood and party and Paske and party.

## MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

FRIDAY, MAY 7, 1875.

(Before W. Lawrence Simpson, Esq., R.M.)

Geo. Matthews v. Jas. Scott.—Claim for £11 16s 3d, value of seeds sold and delivered. Mr Wilson for plaintiff; Mr Johnston for defendant. Plea, not indebted.

From evidence it appeared that over two years ago defendant ordered through Matthews and Fenwick (agent for Geo. Matthews, nurseryman, Dunedin), a quantity of grass and clover seeds to the value of the sum sued for. The seeds did not arrive in time for that season, and defendant stowed them away carefully in a dry place. At the proper season, the seed was sown, every precaution being taken to have the ground in proper form, but it did not come up. Defendant objected to pay for the seeds, on the plea that they were bad, but offered £5 in liquidation. It had cost him between £30 and £40 to prepare the land for the seed, &c. His offer of £5 had been refused, and this was the third time he had been sued for the amount—the two former actions having been dismissed on non-suit points.

The evidence of plaintiff and his son, as taken at Dunedin, was read.

The Magistrate, in giving judgment, remarked that the case was one for arbitration—there being on both sides unsatisfactory features. He thought the equity of the case would be met by a verdict for £5, with costs.

Goodger v. Reid.—Adjourned to allow of service of summons.

G. B. Williamson's adjourned application for a temporary transfer of license from Edward M'Nulty, Roaring Meg Hotel, was refused.

## THE MINER.

## CARRICK RANGE.

STAR OF THE EAST.—The working manager reports that last week he cut a fine body of stone, quite equal to any yet got from the mine. This was found in the continuation of the reef worked last year. The stone for some distance along the reef at present being worked has been very thin, and in order to keep the mill going he has been taking stone from the old reef, although it was known to be very poor, in the meanwhile of course pushing on the drive along the course of the better one. He has now been rewarded by striking the body of stone as above mentioned. The mill has now been running about a fortnight, and as the crushing is composed three-fourths of old stone, which runs only about seven dwts. to the ton, its result can give no test of the new discovery. The next crushing, however, is expected to tell a different tale.

HEART OF OAK.—The contractor is pushing on in the tunnel rapidly. He is now in about 160 feet, having very good "country," and the contract is paying him very well. The shareholders have every occasion to be pleased at this state of things, as the reef will be reached in so much shorter time.

CROWN AND CROSS.—This company has now a large body of payable stone. The shareholders have been for some time in treaty with parties in Dunedin for the erection of machinery. During the delay, the mine has improved, and the shareholders are not now willing to treat except on improved terms. No doubt before Spring the company will have machinery on the ground; and it may be expected to be as perfect and complete as possible, for one of the partners is a well-known practical man, and has himself for some time past been trying to perfect machinery to save at least a portion of the gold known to remain in the tailings under present methods of treatment.

TRY AGAIN.—This company the other day finished crushing a parcel of 200 tons of stone, the outcome being 175 ounces or thereabouts. This result is likely to be considerably increased when the blanketings are cleaned up, the stone being of a very impure character, and requiring careful treatment. It is said this company have purchased the Standard battery—which shows that a valuable reef is in the hands of enterprising men.

THE PERSISTENCE COMPANY, who are now prosecuting extensive tunnelling operations with the view of catching the old John Bull reef at a great depth, report 311 feet finished, and a contract for another 100 feet has been accepted, which it is hoped will strike the reef. At the extraordinary meeting held on last evening, Messrs Kidd, Talboys, and Griffiths were appointed directors. A call was paid in the room on demand, and another made payable in a month.

## WARDEN'S REPORT—DUNSTAN DISTRICT.

The following extracts are from the Warden's report on the Dunstan district of the Otago goldfields, for the year ended March 31:—

In speaking generally of the district, I would remark that the European population appears to me to have undergone very little change. A slight increase has taken place in the Cromwell division. In the Chinese population a greater change is observable, some 200 additional Chinese having come into the district, chiefly from the Lakes. Blacks Flat, and along the Manuherikia River to Alexandra, have been the localities chosen for settlement by them. Notwithstanding the almost imperceptible change in the population during the year in the Cromwell division, there has been a decline in the mining industry, evidenced by the return of gold yielded, the total of which amounts to 43,823oz., as against 48,331oz. for last year, showing a decrease of 4508oz.

## ALLUVIAL MINING.

The decrease of gold has taken place in the alluvial mining; for in Cromwell, the only quartz-reefing division, there has been an increase of 2166oz. in the yield for the year; and there, while there is little change observable in the alluvial mines, considerable progress has been made in the reefs. This falling-off in the yield of the alluvial mines, in a minor degree, is

attributable to the very high level the river Molyneux has maintained throughout the year, rendering dredging in most cases impossible, and almost suspending sluicing along its banks, except at the higher levels, which are a far less payable.

## THE BANNOCKBURN TERRACES.

This place is another evidence of the error of too great an undertaking having been gone into with a too small capital. On these terraces there is said to be some of the best sluicing ground in the district; and considering the large population it so long maintained tunnelling, etc., I think it cannot be doubted. It is really pitiable to see so much of that ground waiting the completion of the Carrick Range water-race, a work which should not merely have been assisted by the Government, but entirely constructed. I fear the race cannot be completed this season before the snow comes down, even although there are only 4½ miles to finish, 13 having been constructed out of 17½ miles, the entire length. These delays have a very bad effect, not only tiring men out from the ground, but encouraging the bad practice of taking up claims for mere purposes of speculation by sale. Had it not been for the Bannockburn and All Nations Companies' small supply of water, together with the tunnelling still carried on, the most of this ground would have been deserted by the bona fide miner, and fallen into the hands of the speculator. When a sufficient supply of water is brought in, there is a work that ought to receive Government aid, and that is, the formation of a public channel up Pipeclay gully.

## ALEXANDRIA.

Mining matters here have been very dull, until within the last two months, when the Chinese found some very good prospects on the Manuherikia River, between Low's old homestead and the Chatto Creek, most of it untried ground; and now between Robertson's Ferry and the Chatto there are about 200 Chinese settled, which has given an impetus to business.

## NEVIS.

This place, one of the best places for alluvial workings in the summer months, has been the victim of floods this season, and so has not shown up so well in its yield of gold, which may be put down at 5000oz.; the greater part of this went to swell the Cromwell escorts.

## QUARTZ-REEFING.

This branch of mining, which is confined to the Cromwell division of the district, has made a considerable stride during the twelve months, particularly at Bendigo. Here I have granted some six new leases, and have as many more under application, besides a number of claims. Four of the new leases are on what is supposed to be a new line of reef, which, so far as developed, shows signs of being very rich, particularly in Jones and Co.'s claim. This reef runs, or is supposed to run, parallel with, and at no great distance from, the celebrated Cromwell reef on its southern boundary. The yield is put down at 50z. to the ton; but as no trial crushing has yet been made, that can only be a guess. On the Cromwell Company's line of reef a good many new claims have been taken up. In one part there is now a continuous length of a mile taken up, and, after a break of two miles, more claims have been marked out on what seems to be an outcrop of the same reef. There is one company that has been started, which ought greatly to aid in prospecting the Bendigo reefs, viz. the Deep Level Company. This company, which has a capital of £10,000 in 40,000 shares of 5s., all of which shares were taken up the first day of issue in the locality, has got some 56 acres of ground in a special claim, and has started to drive a tunnel at the lowest possible level from Bendigo Creek, with the view of trying to cut the Lucknow, Aurora, and Cromwell Companies' reefs, and several known payable leaders, such as the Guano. The Cromwell Company have been raising stone during the whole year, and their good fortune has been continuous. I think I am safe to say that by far the greater portion of 14,000 ozs. returned as the year's yield from quartz has come from this company's ground.

The prospects of Bendigo look, at present, very bright, and if the companies and claimholders will only persevere great results may be expected. The greatest want that will be experienced at Bendigo will be power to drive machinery. The water supply is very limited, and coal for raising steam no nearer than Cromwell, a distance of 15 miles. None of the prospectors for coal on the Lindis have been successful. They still persevere.

## CARRICK RANGE.

the other reefing portion of the Cromwell division, has also advanced during the year. One of the principal discoveries there was by Watson and Co., of the reef known as the Crown and Cross, the crushings of which have averaged about 1 oz. to the ton. The most of the old companies have continued steadily at work during the year raising stone; others, and particularly the Heart of Oak, Caladonian, and Elizabeth, have been engaged tunnelling at low levels. A great amount of work has been done both by the public and the private companies, but no yields that can be considered more than payable reported. Of the private companies it is a matter of great difficulty to obtain information. On the Carrick, there seems to be a general determination to test the permanency of the reefs, which, up to this time, have been so provokingly broken and irregular, and a large company has been formed to undertake a work similar to that undertaken by the Deep Level Company at Bendigo.

## RETURNS.

From the returns attached to Mr Warden Simpson's report, we learn that the approximate value of mining plant in the Dunstan district is £99,000; that, in addition, there are 200 water races, 600 miles in length, carrying 600 heads of water, of the approximate cost of £100,000. The number of mining leases in force on 31st March was 16, covering 192 acres, and paying an annual rental of £489. Of agricultural leases there are 209, covering 15,739 acres, the rental per annum being £1,963 17s 6d. During the year 2,287 acres held under agricultural leases have been purchased by the lessees. The number of miners employed during the year was: Europeans, 1,210, of whom 150 were quartz-miners; and Chinese, 710. The approximate yield of gold for the year is thus given:—Alluvial, 22,830oz.; quartz, 14,000oz.; total, 43,823oz., of the value of about £355,000.



## QUEENSTOWN.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

May 1, 1875.

Since my last, winter has set in; the mountains are covered with snow, and a complete change of weather has come upon us. Fires are becoming the rule.

I was in hopes that my pen would never be called upon to write the words "Jackson Barry" again. But, alas! like many other hopes and fears, it was all vanity. I could no more write anything of Queenstown at present without his name figuring in it than a wedding could be held without the bride. He has thoroughly succeeded in bringing all the scum in the town to the surface, and all that large class that in every community sympathise with cheek and bounce can be seen and heard now without much searching. Mr Jackson Barry, in his virtuous indignation at being locked up, has nearly set the town on fire. As I have informed you, Mrs Powell was exonerated from all blame. The case fell completely to the ground. It showed also that Mr Manders was largely mixed up in the affair, Mr Barry finding the balls, and Mr Manders firing them through the press. It was hoped that the prosecution of Mrs Powell had been allowed by Barry to fall through, but on being summoned on Monday, Mr Powell took the first opportunity of horsewhipping Mr Manders. At the first trial he was sentenced to fourteen days' imprisonment, and most people thought the sentence very light considering the aggravated nature of the assault. But at the second trial, to-day, so much was shown, even by the evidence for the prosecution, tending to rouse anyone's temper who had any; that it caused a complete revulsion of feeling on the part of right-minded persons, and the Bench, composed of Messrs Beetham, Malaghan, and Robertson, sentenced to a £10 fine only. Mr Manders got a severe reprimand from the Bench for appearing before them in what they thought an unfit state; and Mr Finn, solicitor, was also called to order for making some rather heated remarks to the Bench.—It is to be hoped we have seen the last of these rows.

The Good Templars have completed their arrangements for holding their first anniversary. It is to be celebrated by a grand concert and temperance speeches.

## BENDIGO ITEMS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

May 6, 1875.

It has been generally understood that, for a correspondent to report accurately upon matters affecting any particular place, it was necessary for him to be present on the scene of operations. This, however, is a mistake, as I have discovered that it is possible to frame "a true and correct card" from a distance. I do not intend to divulge the means, and your readers may call it clairvoyance or what they will, but they may rest assured that in this particular instance they have a truthful account of reefing matters on Bendigo at present. And as it is possible that the place may shortly play a very prominent part in the arena of speculation, it is important that "the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth" be told concerning it. *Verbum sapienti* is a good quotation, but then people are not all wise, and they will do well to avoid what Anthony Trollope designates "blowing," and thereby prevent a recurrence of the miserable failures which formerly ruined Bendigo's prospects. If my mantle should descend upon the shoulders of any aspirant to the honorable post of "our own," I trust he will bear the above remarks in mind.

The Cromwell Company have repaired damages in their main shaft, and have recommenced sinking. They have plenty of water power, and a large cake may shortly be expected. Mr John Perry has relinquished the management to superintend his own claim, and is succeeded by Mr John Williams, from whose well-known ability it may be concluded that the work will be carried on as successfully as heretofore.

The Hit or Miss (Rooney and Co.) are down nearly fifty feet, and have a fine strong reef twenty inches in width. Their show is really splendid, surpassing anything yet found on Bendigo.

The reef has been struck in the Great Britain, adjoining the Hit or Miss, and I was shown, by one of the shareholders, a piece of stone which can only be described as grand. The reef is solid, eighteen to twenty inches in width, and has every appearance of permanency. Two shares in this claim were sold at high prices, before ever the reef was seen. The reef lies to the south of and parallel to Logan's, and from the fact of the golden leaders entering Logan's from the south, I am inclined to think that this may be the main golden lode of the place.

Wrightson and Co., in the old Golden Crown, are down nearly seventy feet, but have struck no stone as yet. Cameron and Co., adjoining, are sinking on the reef supposed to be Logan's line. The stone was barren at the surface, but a little gold is now obtainable, and an improvement may be expected at a further depth. The Lucknow manager reports his own mine, declining the aid of "your own," so upon his head be it.

The contractors in the Deep Level are progressing. How many feet (?) they have driven since starting, I am unable to state. It is a generally expressed opinion that they have a terribly hard nut to crack, and that they will discover this fact ere long I am certain. Carrick rock experiences can give a fair idea of the adamantine country at deep

levels on Bendigo, whatever may be said to the contrary.

The Eureka, Rise and Shine gully, have carried their approach to the proposed tunnel about forty feet along the reef, and first-rate gold is visible the whole length so far, improving as they near the hill. This long-talked-of speculation is likely to prove a veritable mine of wealth to the shareholders. It is the greatest body of stone in the district, being eight to ten feet in width, with gold throughout. I expect when Mr Ulrich's report is published, "Eureka's" will be up in the market. Careful management at the start is all that is necessary to ensure success for this company. I sincerely hope that this will be instituted, and my old friends may depend that the Rise and Shine will become something more than a fancy designation.

Leaving Bendigo, I come to the Ferry, which, although not a reef, is a rock upon which much of the progress of the district is wrecked. I allude to the excessive charges imposed. I do not altogether blame the proprietors; people must live, even ferry-men. But those "on the other side of Jordan" should bestir themselves, and petition the Government to subsidise the punt-owners, as has been done at other ferries, and thus enable them to reduce their fares. If this was done, a considerable addition to the traffic, in the shape of the "gay and fashionable," as well as the business world, might reasonably be expected; it is a pleasant drive to Bendigo, and what might not be the result of people seeing with their own eyes what they now only learn from the occasional industrial fits of "your own?"

On Monday last, the heaviest fall of snow known for some years fell at Bendigo, being four inches deep at the reefs: it has now almost disappeared, and consequently the water supply is abundant.

In conclusion, an expressive word occurs to me, which must be said, and I trust my old friends at Bendigo will believe me when I state that I say it with regret.—Adieu!

## CARDRONA.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

May 5, 1875.

Nothing of any special importance has occurred in this locality during the past month. The deep claims have all been steadily at work, with very fair returns. The Empire Co. is in full swing again, although not doing so well as they anticipated. The gold they touched in bringing up their tail-race was found to dip into the deepest of their ground, and the company not deeming it advisable to cut any more water at present, owing to the difficulty of keeping wheels going during the winter months, the "heavy run" will not be opened out until Spring.

An application in favour of having the township surveyed and declared a Government township, and also a petition for a road between Wanaka and Arrowtown, via Crown Terrace, has been unanimously signed. People here are almost unanimous in favor of the Crown terrace being opened for settlement, and the value of a road from Wanaka can scarcely be overrated, when we consider it will be the means of opening up vast coal-seams at the head of this creek, besides creating a large outlet for produce from the Arrow and timber from the Wanaka districts. It must also be borne in mind that a good track, which at no very distant date will be made a good road, accessible all the year round, is now nearly completed between the head of Lake Wanaka and the mouth of the Haast river.

Our School Committee were unanimous in their opinion against the introduction of the Education tax, and looked upon it as a violation or infringement upon the liberties of the subject and a cause for endless litigation.

A case of suspended animation occurred on Saturday, 1st inst. A Chinaman committed suicide by hanging himself in his hut, a couple of miles above the township. It appears he was suffering from a fit of despondency consequent on having lost all his hard-earned money at gambling. And I shall not be the least surprised to hear of others of his countrymen following suit. I heard of two others having saved about £100 each, with the intention of going back to the Celestial Empire. They couldn't resist going into the gambling house, or "Chinese hell," before leaving, just to have a parting game. Of course they came out "skinned," and had to look out for a fresh claim. I was not aware of the existence of a gambling house in our very midst, open and accessible at all hours of the day and night, until last Sunday.

As I was walking past the building with an acquaintance, I inquired what was doing there. "Come in," says he, "and you will see." I accordingly entered the den, the atmosphere of which reeked with a mixed odour of opium, baked pork, and cocoanut-oil. Turning down on our left, through a passage dividing suites of smoking-rooms, I entered the inner temple, where, to my astonishment and surprise, I saw several of our local magnates occupying places of honor, and mingling in perfect harmony and good-fellowship with the "heathen Chinese," and a few specimens of the genus "larrikin." The Chinamen of course predominated, but all exhibited the same eager anxiety and nervous interest in the swindle. The place was perfectly crowded, and all were crushing towards the table, which was the only piece of furniture I could discover. On looking up, I noticed Chinamen roosting all along the tie-beams, and others clinging in a dexterous manner to the rafters, all their attention seemingly riveted on the table. The enterprising proprietor must be doing a very snug business, as even the fair sex honors the crib with its patronage. I wonder if it's

anybody's duty to put a stop to such an infernal establishment.

The Rev. D. Ross visited us during last month, and preached a very excellent sermon in the schoolhouse. Considering the short notice given, there was a very good attendance. At the close of the service, the Rev. gentleman intimated the advisability of taking steps towards establishing a Sunday school, and invited parents and others interested to remain and discuss the matter. The result was the formation of a committee of several ladies and gentlemen, who will no doubt use their best endeavors in the good work.

## EUROPEAN AND AUSTRALIAN.

LONDON, April 21.

An order for compulsory liquidation has been granted in the case of the Australian Direct Steamship Company.

April 24.

In the House of Commons, Kenealy's motion for the appointment of a Royal Commission of Enquiry into the Tichborne case was rejected by 431 to 1. The debate was a protracted one, both Mr Bright and Mr Disraeli powerfully opposing the motion. Kenealy's speech was mainly confined to a weak attack on the alleged misbehaviour of the Judges.

BOMBAY, April 24.

The Guicowar of Baroda was deposed yesterday. This decision was come to in consequence of his gross misgovernment, and not on the report of the Commission appointed to enquire into the poisoning of the Political Resident, Colonel Phavre, as they disagree on that point. The Native Administration in Baroda continues.

MELBOURNE, April 28.

Although Parliament meets within a month, no indications of the Government policy are forthcoming, but there are rumors abroad that Ministers intend to throw off the Protectionist mask and appear in the Free Trade garb. The Commissioner of Customs is still ill, but it is said that he is anxious to be about again in order to announce his re-appointment. That there will be great fiscal changes there is no doubt.

O'Farrell, the Lands Department defaulter, has been sentenced on two charges to nine years' hard labor. It is uncertain whether the other charges will be proceeded with.

A vein of gold-bearing quartz has been found in the Prince Patrick mine at Stawell at a depth of 1100 feet.

Three men were charged at the Supreme Court with polluting the Yarra by depositing filth there. One was fined £30, and the others were discharged.

SYDNEY.

The Anglican Synod have resolved to oppose any alteration in the present educational system.

The rush to the Palmer still continues, but sickness is very prevalent, and the blacks are troublesome.

Floods have occurred in Northern Queensland. The people were compelled to seek refuge in the trees.

Holdsforth, the ironmonger, who died recently, left about £200,000.

ADELAIDE.

The quarter's expenditure exceeded the revenue by £83,000. The deficit on the year is expected to amount to £200,000, and it is probable that fresh taxation will be resorted to.

## PROVINCIAL AND COLONIAL.

At Timaru, Thomas Davis has been committed for trial for attempting to poison his wife. Bail was refused.

Mr Geo. Dodson, of the Empire Hotel, Dunedin, is said to have purchased the racing mare Envy, and several other mares from Mr Redwood.

A Southland paper refers to the Dunedin *Evening Star* as an "obscure little sheet." This is severe on a journal rejoicing in a weekly circulation of "35,000 copies."

At the sitting of the Nelson Supreme Court, on 3rd instant, James Thomas Smith, over 70 years old, pleaded guilty to an indecent assault upon his grand-daughter, seven years of age. He was sentenced to five years' penal servitude.

Mr B. Parkerson, aged 45, house-surgeon at the Christchurch Hospital, died on 2nd instant, from typhoid fever. The hospital has been crowded with typhoid fever cases for some months past, and Mr Parkerson was greatly overworked.

For hockussing and robbing a man in a boarding-house in Auckland by putting tobacco in his beer, a man named Campbell has just been sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment, and a girl named Martha Nicholson, 13 years of age, to three months', both with hard labor.

In an action—Barrowman v. Stevens—to recover £500 damages, brought by a steerage passenger of the ship Auckland against the captain of that vessel for being assaulted and imprisoned on the passage out, a verdict was last week given in the Dunedin Supreme Court for £50.

During the voyage of the Fernglen, recently arrived at Auckland, the ship ran entirely out of tobacco a month before her arrival. When it first became scarce the price rose to 1s. per plug, and in a few days it went up to 5s. a plug. The last few plugs sold at the high figure of 20s. each. Weeks before, the ordinary quotation was 1d. Raw coffee and spun yarn was a favorite substitute, and some tea and brown paper were found not to go badly; but the preference was very generally given to bay, with a flavoring of cayenne pepper.

One of the Invercargill papers, is jubilant over the acquisition of a hearse by a local firm of undertakers.

A Hokitika paper says that owing to the fact that the Westland Provincial Treasury has had to disburse about a thousand pounds in payment of the honoraria of members of the Council, the ordinary creditors of the Government cannot get paid, and the Hospital subsidies will have to remain in arrears.

Frederick Pavitt, late steward of the Canterbury Church Property Trust Estate, has been arrested on a charge of embezzling the sum of £797 from the estate. Prisoner filled the position of steward for nine years, at an annual salary of £400. The defalcations were found out while he was absent from his duties owing to illness. It is expected they will amount to close upon £7000.

One day last week, a considerable part of the bank on which the brick building of the Dunedin Middle District School is erected gave way and slipped into the road, leaving a gap about 20ft wide. The breach extends back to close to the school wall, and consequently, with the continued heavy rain, the situation is sufficiently alarming. The school work is now being conducted in a wooden building adjacent.

A Timaru telegram, May 3, reports:—There is a painful report about that Mr Hunt, the head-master of the Timaru school, who was drowned at Rangitata in April last, with his wife and mother-in-law, had another wife still living in New South Wales. It is said that she now claims the estate of the deceased for herself and son, and that the police at Christchurch and Timaru have been communicated with. The circumstance of the drowning so mysteriously has never been satisfactorily explained. The evidence of the ferryman pointed to suicide on the part of Hunt. It was not believed at the time, but is now thought more probable in view of subsequent revelations.

We learn from a Thames exchange that Mr W. C. Wright, surveyor, formerly of Queenstown, recently met with a severe accident while surveying on the City of London claim. He had taken certain bearings and levels in the mine, and was finishing up the surface work. For this purpose he fixed his instrument near the mouth of the quartz hopper for the purpose of taking a sight. The carter who had been last at the quartz hopper left the iron trap door raised, and a lump of rock about 50lbs weight fell out and struck Mr Wright on the hand, breaking one of his fingers and destroying the theodolite which he was using, valued at £30. The glasses of the instrument were completely shattered.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

## REMOVAL OF SERGEANT CASSELS.

To the Editor of the CROMWELL ARGUS.

SIR,—Being informed that Sergeant Cassels is under orders to remove permanently to Dunedin, I should much like to know upon what principle the police authorities make such changes?

I presume their chief object should be to increase the efficiency of the service, but it is difficult to see that such effect is likely to ensue from this change. On the contrary, I see many reasons for the reverse result, at least in so far as this district is concerned. The longer a policeman is resident in a district, the better he should know the duties required of him, and Sergeant Cassels' successor must be deficient in this respect. And I will add that I think it very improbable that his successor, whoever he may be, will equal him in energy, impartiality, and general efficiency in the discharge of his duties. I believe this opinion is most general in this town and district, and the reason I trouble you with this letter is to suggest the advisability of some action being taken to prevent, if possible, the withdrawal of Sergeant Cassels, should he, upon being consulted, prefer to remain.—I am, &c. A RESIDENT.

Cromwell, May 10, 1875.

## WATERWORKS DEBENTURES.

To the Editor of the CROMWELL ARGUS.

SIR,—My attention has been drawn in your report of the last meeting of the Cromwell Municipal Council to the above, and to the very generous (?) proposal of the Colonial Bank to take up the Corporation debentures at £43 10s. each, at 7 per cent., and 1 per cent. commission to cover the requisite charges for completing the transaction; and I have been led to go into the matter to see how the Council will decide, and whether they can afford to accept the Bank's proposal.

The following calculation may open the eyes of the Councillors to the heavy charges they will have to pay if they accept the offer of the Bank:—

To 40 debentures @ £50	£2000
By Discount on 40 debentures at £6 10s. each	£260
Interest on £2000 at 7%	140
Charges on £2000 at 1%	20
	420

being the amount the Corporation will receive for their £2000 worth of debentures. As the Bank will, and rightly too, charge the annual interest on the capital sum of £2000, it will be seen that though the Corporation will have to pay interest on that sum, they receive only £1580, which raises the interest at once from 7 per cent. up to £8 17s. 2½d., and a fraction, or a rise of 25 per cent. at a jump.

Whether the Council is in a position to accept this expensive offer or not is their business, but they must remember that posterity follows, and that they will be held liable for squandering the property of the citizens. Trusting that the Councillors appointed may make better terms with the Bank than the above, I am, &c.,

ACCOUNTANT.

Cromwell, May 6, 1875.

## PROVINCIAL COUNCIL.

MONDAY, MAY 4TH, 1875.

The thirty-fourth session of the Provincial Council was opened on above date by his Honor the Superintendent, who delivered a lengthy address on the occasion. Our space only permits a reprint of the principal portions:

## MR SPEAKER AND GENTLEMEN—

Since I last addressed you, the Provincial Legislature of Otago has attained its majority, it being now 21 years since it was called into existence. It then met in a small building which stood upon the spot on which the Craig Monument now stands. I had the honor, Mr Speaker, on that occasion to occupy the position which you at present hold. It is worthy of remark that of those who then composed the Provincial Council, only two have a seat in it now.

Gentlemen, were this a fitting occasion, it would be both interesting and instructive to trace the progress of the legislature from infancy to manhood, to philosophise upon and contrast the various stages of its growth. As it is, I may safely say that there is no British Colony which, in proportion to its population, has progressed as this Province has done. Although opinions may differ as to what extent our past progress may have been due to the action of the Provincial Legislature, I apprehend there is little difficulty in predicating how much further advanced the Province would have been, had it been an independent Colony, or indeed, had it been allowed to exercise that control over its own affairs and resources which, in common with all the Provinces, the Constitution Act contemplated. I am convinced that if the people of Otago would study their own interests, either the one or the other of these alternatives is that which should be persistently aimed at even now. In 1854, the Public Revenue of the Province amounted to little more than £6000, while during the past year the sum contributed to the Colonial and Provincial chests, amounted to close upon one million sterling. It is a remarkable fact that there are only four Colonies in the British Empire, the amount of whose revenue, trade, and commerce exceeds that of this Province, and yet there are some among us who think that the Province is unfit to manage its own affairs.

Gentlemen, I would now desire to allude to some of the leading facts which serve to illustrate the position of affairs during the past financial year. The Consolidated Revenue of the year has been £515,584 lbs. as against £436,147, for the previous year. Of this amount the Province has been credited with £65,887, as capital allowance, the whole of which has gone to pay the interest and charges on the Consolidated Loans of the Province. The Gold Duty shows a considerable deficiency as compared with the previous year, the figures being £11,502 and £17,504, respectively. This deficiency however, is not attributed to any exodus of population from the Province, or to any perceptible diminution of its auriferous resources, but to the circumstance that many of the miners have been acquiring and turning their attention to Agricultural Leaseholds, and many more have been availing themselves of remunerative contracts on Public Works. The consent of the Governor to the Bill passed by you last Session for a partial reduction of the Export Duty on Gold was withheld. I understand, however, that the Colonial Government has lately intimated to the Otago Miners' Association that it has now no objection to the duty being reduced. I have written to the Colonial Government to the effect that if this be so, the Provincial Government is prepared to relinquish a portion or the whole, if the former will indicate the particular *modus operandi* of accomplishing this, which will meet its concurrence.

The area of land taken up during the past year under the Gold Fields Act as Agricultural Leaseholds, has been 17,405 acres, distributed among 186 individuals.

The area of land acquired on Deferred Payments has been 37,276 acres, by 219 individuals.

The area sold for cash amounts to 164,157 acres, to 534 purchasers.

The Births, Deaths, and Marriages during the year amounted to 3583, 1067, and 731, respectively.

The amount deposited in the various Savings Banks throughout the Province has been £244,766, being upwards of £31,000 in excess of the deposits of the previous year.

A flying Survey has been made of a line of Railway to the Dunstan, both by Waihemo and Tuapeka, with a view of ascertaining the relative cost of the two routes. Full particulars of Surveys, together with estimates will be placed before you.

Gentlemen, the Estimates for the year have been framed with a desire to apportion the Revenue equitably throughout the various districts of the Province. I only wish that the amount likely to be at our disposal during the current year were such as to enable us more fully to meet urgent requirements.

In dealing with the Educational requirements of the Province, the General Education Board has had frequently forced upon its attention the necessity of making provision whereby those districts which may desire to tax themselves for the purpose of supplementing the Government allowance to schools might be enabled to do so. With this view a Bill will be submitted for your consideration and approval.

Last session you voted a sum of money as the salary of a Mining Surveyor; I accordingly placed myself in communication with the Government of Victoria with the view of obtaining an experienced man for the office. It was found, however, that the sum voted was insufficient to secure for one year the services of Mr G. H. F. Ulrich, Consulting Mining Geologist of Victoria, the gentleman who was recommended. Under the circumstances, therefore, it was deemed advisable to employ Mr Ulrich to the extent to which the amount voted would go. His Report, from which, it is to be hoped, much benefit may result, will be placed before you. It would, I feel assured, be a great boon to the Province could Mr Ulrich be induced to settle here, in connection with a School of Mines, for the establishment of which it is intended to solicit your approval this Session.

I am sure you will agree with me in regretting the loss which the Province has sustained by the death of Mr John Auld, one of the earliest and most enthusiastic promoters of the settlement of Otago, a man of high character and standing, who has been of vast service to the

Province in various ways, and whom it will be very difficult, if not impossible, to replace.

Last year I suggested that an asylum should be established for inebriates, and that incurable lunatics should be removed from Dunedin to the country; also, that provision should be made for the custody and reformation of criminal children apart from the Industrial School. It has now been resolved to solicit your concurrence, in reserving 800 acres, about twenty miles from Dunedin, with a view of locating both the Industrial and Reformatory Schools, as well as the asylum for lunatics and inebriates.

Gentlemen, in conclusion, there is one subject which so vitally concerns the future welfare of this Province to which if I did not on the present occasion advert, I should fall in my duty to the people with whose interests I am specially charged—I refer to the contemplated constitutional changes. It is proposed, as you are aware, forthwith to abolish the North Island Provinces, on the plea that they can no longer perform the functions assigned to them by the Constitution Act—that is to say, they are unable, without the aid of the Colony, to provide for the maintenance of peace, order, and good government within their borders. If this be so—which I deny—the cause is not far to seek. The present condition of the Provinces might be very aptly illustrated by comparing them to a man who has been bound hand and foot, by one stronger than himself and then told that because he cannot walk he is a lumberer of the ground. It is useless to disguise from ourselves the fact that abolition of the Provinces implies that the whole revenue of the Colony is to be appropriated by the Colonial Legislature, and that Canterbury and Otago, which now contribute the lion's share of the consolidated revenue, are to be called upon to supply still more. It implies that the resources which will be derived from our railways—railways, the whole of which are being constructed at the cost of the Province—shall become colonial revenue, to be appropriated by the General Assembly. It implies, moreover, that the administration of the waste lands and the settlement of the country will be under the control of a power much less directly responsible to and under the eye of the people than at present. In the course of two or three years, the existing leases of extensive areas of country, now held as grazing runs, will begin to terminate. If properly dealt with, these runs will yield a considerable permanent revenue, which will be increasing annually for the next ten years, and which will go far towards keeping down taxation; they will also carry a large agricultural and pastoral population. It therefore becomes us to guard most watchfully against an organic change in the Constitution which I am persuaded will prove to be as the letting in of water as respects the future disposition of the Provincial estate.

Gentlemen—Hoping that your deliberations will conduce towards the best interests of the Province, I now declare this Council open for the despatch of business.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 1875.

## REPLY TO THE ADDRESS.

Mr J. P. ARMSTRONG, the new member for Mount Ida, moved the Reply, which was almost a repetition of the Address. In the course of some after remarks, he said:—As a goldfields member, he was glad to find that the Government were at last alive to the fact that a little scientific assistance would be a benefit to the goldfields. He did not, however, anticipate as much benefit as his Honor seemed to do from Mr Ulrich's flying visit around our goldfields. From the establishment of a School of Mines, however small it might be, he expected a great deal, and should the proposal be carried out, he would suggest that qualified mining surveyors be placed under the head of that department. In conclusion, he trusted the Government would see its way, not only to recommend the reduction, but the total abolition of the unjust and invidious tax upon gold.

Mr FISH regarded the paragraph in the Address about the gold duty as a bid to the goldfields members for support on surreptitious grounds, as they would not go to the General Government to ascertain the *modus operandi* of abolishing the duty. They knew well that they themselves could alone initiate the necessary action.

Mr MACKELLAR replied, pointing out the action taken by the Government during the recess, and exonerating it from the previous speaker's insinuation.

## GOLDFIELDS COMMITTEE.

On the motion of Mr MACKELLAR, the following gentlemen were appointed a Goldfields Committee:—Messrs J. C. Brown, G. F. C. Browne, De Lautour, Ireland, Sumpter, Manders, and the mover.

## PETITIONS.

Mr MACKELLAR presented petitions from residents in Cardrona, Cromwell, Bannockburn, and Carrick Range.

Mr HALLENSTEIN presented a petition from miners, settlers, and storekeepers in the Wakatipu district.

THURSDAY, MAY 6, 1875.

## BONUS FOR POTTERY WORKS.

In answer to a question by Mr Wood—“If the whole, or any portion, of the £250 voted as a bonus for the establishment of Pottery Works has been paid, and if so, the date and amount of such payment, and the name of the person to whom it was made?”

Mr REID replied that the whole of the bonus had been paid. £75 were paid on the 21st October, and the balance was paid in February last. It was paid to Mr White, of the Tokomairiro Pottery Works.

## PETITIONS.

Mr MACKELLAR moved—“That the petition from Cardrona re sale of township, the petition from Cromwell and Bannockburn residents re purchase of Bridge, and the petition from the Bannockburn residents re commonage, be referred to the Goldfields Committee.” Agreed to.

Mr IRELAND, in the absence of Mr HALLENSTEIN, moved—“That the petition of residents in the Wakatipu District, to have

the Crown Terrace thrown open for agricultural settlement, subject to certain restrictions pointed out by the Mining Association, be referred to the Government.” Agreed to.

## THE GOLD DUTY.

Mr J. C. BROWN asked the Government what steps they intended to take to carry into effect the resolution of the Council at its last session, recommending the reduction of the gold duty.

Mr MACKELLAR, in replying to the question, said that perhaps it would be best to first explain to the Council the steps taken by the Government in dealing with the Ordinance (not merely a resolution) which was passed by the Council at its last session. It would be seen that the proper and customary steps had been taken by the Government, and that the matter had been dealt with in no way differing from that in which any other Ordinance was treated. The Goldfields Secretary then read the letter from his Honor the Superintendent to the Hon. the Colonial Secretary, informing the latter of the passing of the Ordinance; as also the notice of disallowance by the Colonial Secretary. Accompanying the notice was the following statement of reasons why the Governor had disallowed the Ordinance:—

Colonial Secretary's Office.

Wellington, July 18, 1874.

SIR,—I have the honour to inform your Honor that the Governor has disallowed the Otago Gold Duty Repayment Ordinance, 1874. His Excellency was advised to take that course because there did not appear to be sufficient provision in the Bill to prevent the repayment of gold duty being made for gold, the produce of other provinces, reshipped from Otago. Although the second section of the Bill refers to gold, as being the produce of the province of Otago, the third section requires your Honor to be satisfied with proof only of the gold being shipped from the province. Thus inducement would be offered to transmit to Otago for shipment the gold produced in other provinces, causing loss to their revenue. It may be doubted whether any provision for giving a bonus on gold shipped could be hedged round with sufficient prohibition to protect the interest of other provinces; but provision might be made for allowing the bonus directly to the miners on their satisfying the Warden, or other authorised officer, that they obtained gold within any district and forwarded it to the coast for shipment. A measure of that kind, whilst answering the purpose of the Ordinance lately made by the Otago Provincial Council, would be free from the great objection to which I have referred, as well as from another which might be urged against it, as being in appearance, at least, an unconstitutional interference with the authorised taxation.—I am, &c.,

JAMES POLLEN.

From the last paragraph the hon. member for Tuapeka would, doubtless, perceive that the opinions of certain members of this Council were pretty much sustained by the Colonial Secretary. He did not say so plainly, but there was reason to suppose he meant it to be inferred that it was quite as unconstitutional on the part of this Provincial Council to interfere with the gold duty by special legislation as it would be to interfere with the tax levied on tea and sugar, and other similar commodities. He would now proceed to tell the hon. member what the Government had done—not what they intended to do—in the way of effecting the same result as that aimed at by last year's Ordinance. The subject had not been forgotten by the Government during the recess, and although the immediate cause of the present action was brought about by the letter received from the Chairman of the Otago Mining Association, the hon. member for Tuapeka could rest assured there was no pressure brought to bear upon the Government in the matter—at least they did not feel any. The letter furnished an opportunity of doing what they were doing. The letter from the Chairman of the Association to the Provincial Secretary was, of course, speaking on behalf of the miners in the Province. The following was an extract from it:—

From the memorandum from the Colonial Secretary to your Government, I understand the General Government would have no objection to allow the Province to forego a portion of the special revenue delegated to it, if found in excess of the special expenditure needed in consequence of that delegation. As representing the miners of Otago, I am directed to request that you would be so good, before the ensuing session of the Council, as to inform me in what direction and to what extent you would be prepared to meet the miners in any effort which might be made to obtain a partial relief from the taxation the General Government do not participate in, and which the Colonial Secretary sees no reason your Government should not partially forego—in a simpler manner than by special legislation, if it should be again thought by the Council that such relief is fair, and for the general interest of the Province. This having been considered, his Honor addressed the Colonial Secretary as follows:—

Superintendent's Office,

Dunedin, April 28, 1875.

SIR,—I have the honor to forward, for the information of the Government, the enclosed copy of a letter received from the President of the Otago Miners' Association on the subject of the gold duty, which was made the subject of special legislation by the Provincial Government at the last session, but disallowed by his Excellency the Governor. Acting on the statement contained in the letter, I have the honor to state that this Government is quite prepared to place a sum upon the Estimates for this purpose, or, as the total sum now received from this source is so small, to forego it altogether, on receiving an assurance from the General Government that it approves of such a course, or adopt such other means as the General Government may suggest to meet the wishes of the Association.—I am, &c.,

JAMES MACKENZIE.

He (Mr MacKellar) thought every member of the Council would see that the intention was to secure the desired end without incurring the risk of a similar conclusion to that of last year.

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Dunedin, 13th April, 1875.

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